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Introduction to Weathering (W101) Seminar

Wednesday 5th October 2022 at Q-Lab Headquarters Office

8:00 – 8:30am EDT	Registration with Coffee, Pastries, Snacks & Refreshments
8:30 – 8:45am	Introductions
8:45 – 10:15am	Part 1: Forces of Weathering
	Sunlight: spectral irradiance and material sensitivity
	Heat: temperature and thermal cycling
	Water: relative humidity, dew, and rainfall
10:15 – 10:25am	Q&A
10:25 – 10:40am	Coffee Break
10:40 – 11:50am	Part 2: Outdoor Weathering
	Benchmark outdoor test locations: Florida & Arizona
	Natural outdoor weathering testing
	 Black box, interior automotive material, and behind-glass exposures
	Natural sunlight concentrators
11:50 – 12:00pm	Q&A
12:00 – 12:45pm	Lunch/Free Time
12:45 – 2:00pm	Part 3: Accelerated Laboratory Weathering
	• Xenon Arc
	o Light delivery: Xenon arc lamps, optical filters, and irradiance control
	o Environment simulation: black panel, chamber air, humidity, water spray
	Fluorescent UV Weathering
	o Light delivery: fluorescent UV choice of lamps and irradiance control
	o Environment simulation: black panel, condensation
2:00 – 2:10pm	Q&A
2:10 – 2:25pm	Coffee Break
2:25 – 3:30pm	Part 4: Developing Weathering Testing Programs
	• Why Test?
	 Factors affecting correlation between natural and accelerated weathering
	 Fluorescent UV and xenon-arc comparison
	Weathering test program development
	Weathering case studies
3:30 – 3:40pm	Q&A
3:40 – 4:30pm	Summary & Conclusions
4:30 - 5:00pm	Q-Lab Facility tour and questions